

OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL, MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE,
HELD AT 7.00 PM ON MONDAY 9TH AUGUST 2010,
AT THE PAVILION, CHURCH STREET

PRESENT: Mr B Sabberton-Coe – Chairman
Mr J Arnott Mr C Green Mr B Leggett
Mr A Lovett Mrs G Masdin Mr D Thompson

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting.

24. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

25. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 12.7.2010

The minutes of the meeting, which had been circulated, were confirmed, and signed by the Chairman.

26. PLANNING

Recommendations were made on planning applications as the attached list.

27. CHURCH STREET RECREATION GROUND

27.1. Bowls hut

It was noted that the planning application had been validated. It was AGREED to obtain 3 competitive quotations for the building. It was noted that the funding would not be available until the S106 monies from the conversion work at the old St Christopher's School building was complete and a specified number of flats occupied.

27.2. Green waste

Prices to hire shedding equipment were under £100 for a week and it was AGREED to hire equipment or use the services of a contractor when necessary.

27.3. Porch at the Pavilion

It was AGREED to accept J Watts and Son's quotation in the sum of £1,566.00 and to put the work in hand.

27.4. Damaged floor in Gentlemen's toilets.

It was noted that the surface on the floor had deteriorated significantly with the painted surface breaking up. It was AGREED to leave the floor in this condition for the present time.

27.5. Paving around the Pavilion.

An order had already been given to J Watts and Son to re-lay all the paving up to the Pavilion and it was hoped the work would be carried out in the near future. Members had inspected the remainder of the paving around the building before the meeting and were concerned about its unevenness. J Watts had already quoted for this work in the sum of £982.00 and it was AGREED to place an order for this work to be carried out, hopefully at the same time as the main pathway. It was further AGREED that the main pathway should also be re-laid on concrete rather than a cement and sand bed.

28. LAVARE PARK

28.1. Report of the working party held with officers of the Old Catton Junior Football Club on 2.8.2010.

The notes of the working party were discussed. It was noted that the Club was seeking a 99 year lease and had hopes of creating a community building on the land. It had been confirmed that in order to obtain significant grants from the Football Foundation for such things as floodlighting the Club would need to have a 25 year lease as a minimum.

This was discussed thoroughly and it was AGREED that legal points relating to a lease would need to be checked by a solicitor if and when negotiations progressed.

It was AGREED to inform the Club's officers that the Council would offer a 25 year lease on the land and that it would not discuss the provision of a community building on the land at the present time.

Estimates of costs to maintain the new land by a contractor and to buy additional goal posts and a marking machine were noted

29. CEMETERY

29.1. Headstone.

Nothing further had been heard from the mason or the family concerned with the query discussed at the last meeting; it was AGREED to await an application before considering a decision.

29.2. Revised rules.

A draft of revised rules was discussed and approved. It was AGREED to have an updated notice of the rules made and placed in the lych gate at the Cemetery.

30. CHURCHYARD

30.1. Defective memorials

A reply from the Parochial Church Council was awaited.

31. WORK IN PROGRESS

The list was reviewed. It was AGREED to plant some more trees at the Woodham Leas amenity land; Mr J Arnott would advise.

32. SLCC REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON 21.9.2010

It was AGREED that Mrs G Masdin and the Clerk would attend.

33. HIGHWAY MATTERS

33.1. It was noted that the footway resurfacing works at Garrick Green were progressing.

33.2. Mr J Arnott agreed to check on the condition of a silver birch tree in the verge at Bronde Close.

33.3. Mr C Green reported on the meeting he had attended on Norfolk County Council's proposed Highway and Community Rangers scheme which would begin in the autumn, subject to funding being available.

34. CORRESPONDENCE

The attached list was noted.

The Chairman thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting at 8.10 pm.

Chairman, 13th September 2010